



Patriotic St. Louis

The most American City

Leads in all War Activities

There are persons, who, for a purpose, seek to cast aspersions upon the patriotism of St. Louis, and they are doing it every day right here in Missouri.

Missourians, you will be proud of the great war record of St. Louis, the first city in your state, when you read the facts. Here are the incontrovertible facts which will enable you to defend St. Louis against all unjust attacks, and it is your duty to defend it because St. Louis belongs to every Missourian whether he lives in St. Louis or rural Missouri.

These facts, presented so that those who talk about St. Louis may know the truth, prove it to have the smallest German-born and foreign-born populations of any large city. Review of its war achievements shows why every loyal Missourian should take pride in St. Louis and an interest in its welfare.

The St. Louis Chamber of Commerce, comprised of more than 3,000 leading business men and firms, has compiled the following interesting facts and statistics to refute the unfounded but oft-repeated charge that St. Louis is German in population and sympathies, and to prove that St. Louis is not only the most American of the large cities, but is leading practically all other cities in its contributions to the war activities of the Government.

One St. Louisan in every 17 is in some branch of the United States war service—a total of 45,732.

St. Louis and near-by Missouri have furnished 5,067 naval recruits, a greater number than any other city except New York.

In December the Government asked St. Louis for 1,200 naval recruits. St. Louis gave nearly double the number asked for.

St. Louis has led the entire United States in Marine Corps recruiting, contributing 3,524 men.

St. Louis' quota of volunteers was fixed at 8,000 men. The city furnished 9,730 volunteers, an excess of 21.6 per cent.

St. Louis subscribed:

To First Liberty Loan, \$42,000,000; quota was \$25,000,000.

To Second Liberty Loan, \$74,000,000; quota was \$68,000,000.

To Third Liberty Loan, \$45,000,000; quota was \$39,000,000.

St. Louis District—Third Liberty Loan, subscribed \$198,000,000; quota was \$130,000,000.

To Red Cross—contributed, \$2,000,000; quota was \$1,000,000.

To Y. M. C. A. Red Triangle Fund—contributed \$1,129,463.83.

To Knights of Columbus Fund—gave \$80,000.

To Young Men's Hebrew Fund—gave \$206,000.

"It is interesting to note," says the Chamber of Commerce, "in this same connection that St. Louis' population of German descent has been one of the most responsive elements in the community when war funds or charities were asked for. St. Louis is proud of the record of war support on the part of these people, who, before the war, were known as German-Americans. Their enthusiasm for their adopted country, their desire to crush Prussianism, and their leadership in many cases has been a big factor in the wonderful record of St. Louis war work."

The first regiment in France to receive stripes for six months' service was the Twelfth Engineers—a St. Louis regiment.

Within five months after the declaration of war St. Louis recruited and equipped an entire additional regiment of National Guards.

The second ambulance corps to land in France was from St. Louis.

Diesel engines, necessary both to submarine and ship construction, are being turned out exclusively in St. Louis in large quantities by the Busch-Sulzer Diesel Engine Co., of which August A. Busch, president of Anheuser-Busch, is president.

St. Louis is spending \$100,000 in war camp community service.

St. Louis is selling \$45,000 worth of smileage books to provide entertainment for soldiers in cantonments.

Three classes of army balloonists have been turned out of the St. Louis balloon school, and the school plant is being tripled in size.

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St. Louis, Mo.

Fifteen miles from St. Louis is one of the great aviation camps—Scott field.

All factories in the St. Louis district—3,450 of them—have given a good portion of their capacity to war-production work.

St. Louis has completed raising a fund to send a male quartet to France to sing for the soldiers.

The Y. M. C. A. has trained 500 auto-mechanic recruits, and is training another class of 500. In the Railway Y. M. C. A. hut near Union Station more than 35,000 soldiers have been entertained on their passage through the city.

St. Louis was asked to get 150,000 Red Cross members, and responded with 242,000. It has 102,000 Junior Red Cross members.

The quota of Red Cross members for the Southwestern District, with headquarters in St. Louis, was 1,162,000; it gave 2,250,000 members.

St. Louis and Missouri are leading all cities and states in the sale of War Savings Stamps.

St. Louis has the first Food Conservation organization in the United States. Due to the efforts of this Committee, there has been a reduction of the city's garbage, in six months, of 8,000,000 pounds.

In St. Louis 342,000 women signed the Hoover pledge—more than in any other city, regardless of size.

Last year 700 acres of back yards and lots in St. Louis were plowed up for thrift gardens, from which movement the national thrift garden campaign was started, resulting in the production of \$350,000,000 worth of food in 1917.

More than 1,000 St. Louis boys have enlisted in the aviation division.

A school for plastic surgery has been established in St. Louis and 20 officers already trained.

St. Louis raised a fund of \$100,000, in one-half day, to finance two Home Guard Regiments, and in 60 days recruited and equipped two regiments of 3,000 men.

One of the first hospital units to land in France was from St. Louis and was outfitted by the St. Louis Chapter of the Red Cross at a cost of \$50,000.

Scores of St. Louis men and women are devoting all or part of their time to Government work, being classified as dollar-a-year men.

Twenty-eight thousand St. Louis women are registered to do knitting. More than 5,000 work daily on hospital garments, and 12,000 on surgical dressings. These agencies have supplied over 1,000,000 articles to the army in France, besides those sent to local barracks.

One thousand women have been given a course in nursing by St. Louis Red Cross chapters.

Twelve trained social workers, employed by the Red Cross, have made more than 1,000 calls on dependent families of soldiers.

The St. Louis Chapter of the Red Cross is spending \$30,000 a month on war service.

St. Louis is the headquarters of the largest Red Cross division in the country, which embraces Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma, and has under its jurisdiction 683 chapters, 1,630 branches and 1,060 auxiliaries. This division has under its jurisdiction the largest number of camps and cantonments in the country and is serving 350,000 men.

St. Louis is the center of the supply department which furnishes material to the entire division.

German-born population of St. Louis is 6.95 per cent; Cleveland, 7.38; Cincinnati, 7.81; Chicago, 8.34; Detroit, 9.59; Buffalo, 10.34; Milwaukee, 17.33. Foreign-born population of St. Louis is 18 per cent; Detroit, 33 per cent; Chicago, 35 per cent; New York, 41 per cent.

St. Louis is American in heart and sympathies and in all its activities.

Compare the wonderful record of St. Louis, item by item, with that of any other city, and measure its patriotism and loyalty by the result.

St. Louis has not done more than it should, nor all that it expects to do. It will continue to respond loyally, patriotically and generously to every governmental and humanitarian demand made upon it until Prussian militarism is overthrown.

Brackney Items.

We have been awfully busy the past week so news is rather scarce.

Mrs. Ellis and three daughters spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Andrews and daughter, Thelma, called on Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Steffin Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Joe Thompson, of near Altona, spent the past week with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Connell, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Deems were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. White.

Miss Marie Dewese left the first of the week for Warrensburg where she will attend school this summer.

Misses Cecil Steffin and Nancie Deems called on Sina and Ethyl Miller Wednesday afternoon.

Will Ison has purchased a new Oakland car.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Deems, Pearl Birch and mother spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Birch.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Powell and family were guests of Mr. Powell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Powell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Smithson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Colson were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Williams.

Misses Mary, Cecil and Mr. Elmer Deems, spent Sunday with Miss Nancie Deems.

Linden and Leland Bartlett spent last week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett, of Butler.

Mrs. Callahan called on Mrs. Connor one evening last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Fry and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fry, of Kansas City, Saturday night and Sunday.

Marie Baker, Ossie Griffin and Edgar Baker were Sunday guests at the J. L. Ghore home.

JACK AND HILL.

State Fair Catalogues.

County Clerk Frank Holland has just received a shipment of the Premium List of the 1918 Missouri State Fair, August 10-17, and a copy of this attractive book has reached this office. An element of patriotism is carried throughout its 204 pages, with a beautiful rich colored cover design. A shield and the State seal are used on the front cover with a design carrying the idea from factory to farm, and the slogan of the Eighteenth Annual Exposition, "Promotes Patriotism, Production and Progressiveness."

This book contains all of the classifications of the State's big eight day Fair. The early dates of the Fair has allowed a day and night program to be arranged. The Government is encouraging the Missouri State Fair by displaying several car loads of War materials. In this big War Exhibit will be shown implements of warfare used on the battle fields of Europe. Many of the articles are relics captured from the Germans on the Western Front.

Several pages of the Premium List are devoted to an explanation of the big Pageant, "World At War," that will be given each night of the Fair. Other pages give a brief sketch with illustrations of the entertainment features—automobile races, airplane flights, night horse show and horse races.

Those who desire a copy of the Missouri State Fair Premium List may secure it from Mr. Holland by calling at his office or by writing L. G. Bylander, Secretary, Missouri State Fair, Sedalia, Mo.

Country Happenings.

Little Miss Edna Hays spent a few days last week with her aunt, Mrs. Louise Dewese.

Clarence Gragg and wife are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Gragg.

Claud Quick sawed wood last week. Gladys Radford of Butler, visited relatives in this neighborhood last week.

Connie Chitwood called on Florence Gragg Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Barns spent Sunday with Geo. Sargent and family.

Miss Mable McCook of Butler is visiting her brother, John McCook, and wife.

Roy Hart of Appleton City is spending a week with his grandmother, Mrs. Frey.

Charlie Wigger has built a new shed on his barn.

Several from this vicinity attended the funeral of Leslie Stephenson, in Butler Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wix called on Mr. and Mrs. Marsh Brown Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sargent and daughter, Thelma, and Mrs. J. E. Harvey took dinner with Merl Sargent and wife Thursday.

The ladies of the Cumpton Red Cross unit will give an ice cream supper at the Cumpton school house Saturday night, June 1, for the benefit of the Red Cross. Everybody invited.

Mrs. Dave Wigger visited her sister, Mrs. Chas. Sollman, a few days last week.

Notice.

There will be services at Antioch Baptist church Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night, June 8-9. Sunday afternoon will be ordaining services at Passaic. Pastor and Deacons requested to attend.

Everybody welcome to above services.

L. W. Keele.

SUNBEAMS.



Ah, how-de-do people—I fancy I can see you these beautiful mornings as you get up at the peep-o-day and hike

for the fields. Don't it just make you want to yell for very joy at the way old Mother Nature is responding to your efforts? I wonder if you ever give a thought to the Giver of these abundant harvests, most too busy all week, aren't we? Now, I ain't sermonizing, that's out of my line, and there ain't any money in it (so the preachers say) but I want to say that it rai'nin' good crops brings happiness, then the thought of duty well done, reverence duly rendered to the one who makes possible our temporal welfare will bring a greater and more lasting and abiding happiness and peace. So, lets not keep our eyes on the fields and our surroundings too much. Rather let's take time these bright June mornings (before we grab the rake and the hoe) to take off our hat and take a slant toward the sky and say "we are thankful." 'Twill make the day's work lighter.

The other day I saw this in a paper, "what has Hoover done and what are the net results,"—speaking for myself I may say that by following the rules laid down by him I have eaten more corn meal during the past three months than the average person eats in a life time. I have eaten more potatoes than anybody of my size in the U. S. Have gone almost bare foot and worn trousers that are so threadbare that I don't dare turn my back to the public. That's what he has done for me—net results? Well, now, I can't answer, yet—I don't know what the results are goin' to be—will tell you later.

Not long since I met a man who seemed overjoyed about something. Yes, sir, he was the happiest fellow I ever met. I asked him why so hilarious, and he replied, "I'm a free man—after 30 years I have regained my freedom." "Goshamity," says I, "30 years is a long stretch. What did you purloin, a bushel of corn or a hod of coal and did a state institution furnish your grub and clothes?" "Oh," said he, "I ain't been in jail or prison. That wouldn't be so bad." "Tell me, then," says I, "in the name of the Goddess of Liberty, what you escaped that makes you so happy?" "Why," says he, "30 years ago I was married—today I got a divorce." When I regained consciousness he was gone. "By golly," says I (to myself) "when such happiness is in reach of it all why go through life—miserable?"

I just want to remark that if any one is tired of life—want to pass out swiftly without committing 'suicide,' just let him sing "Ireland must be heaven for my Mother, came from there" (around where there is an Irishman) or get out and throw up his hat and "hoch der Kaiser"—either plan will prove very effective.

Headline—"Mount Vesuvius" is again in violent eruption." Well, why not? Everything and everybody else is eruptin' violently or otherwise, so why not old "Vesuvius." Let 'er erupt.

Blessed is the man who sits down on a hot griddle, for he shall rise again.

Blessed are the old, poor and friendless, for they shall inherit the poor house yet.

When your father and mother forsake you the policeman will take you in. P. S. Except in Kansas City.

I read of a young man who recently submitted to a surgical operation in order to go to war. This is in strange contrast to a lot of able bodied huskies who would gladly undergo an operation (even to workin' in order to keep from goin'.

The Butler Times seems to be read in many faraway (also out of the way) places. If any of you folks pass over into the sweet subsequently this year, if you just leave your next address (if possible) and The Times will reach you—for instance.

When you have reached the Pearly gate

And good St. Peter lets you in: Possess your souls in patience—wait, The Times will bring you

Sunny Jim

Pleasant Gap.

A large crowd attended the basket dinner at the Round Prairie Baptist church Sunday.

Several of the boys of this neighborhood left for Camp Dodge last Wednesday evening.

Miss Rosa Brown assisted Mrs. Bill Leeper in canning strawberries last week.

Phil Fry and family and Stedley Bolin and wife motored to Butler Wednesday evening.

Miss Edna Hancock has been staying with her grandparents the past week.

Joe Brownfield and Pete Gabriel spent Saturday night and Sunday with their parents.

Mrs. R. B. Campbell's sister, of Kansas City, has been visiting Mrs. Campbell this week.

The ice cream and strawberry supper which was given for the benefit of the Red Cross at the Presbyterian church on Round Prairie Saturday night was well attended. The proceeds amounted to \$152.00.

Pete Tharp visited at the John Woodfin home Monday.

Miss Beulah Brown spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Bernice Ford.

BLUE BELLE.

Passaic Items.

(Too late for last week.)

At Passaic Baptist church Sunday evening, May 26, 1918, Bro. O. W. Royce, of Adrian, Mo., our pastor, preached a fine sermon, after which we sang together "Blest be the tie that binds," and told Bro. J. T. Brandon good-bye (Dick, as we call him.) This is the second one of our young boys to answer his country's call. Carroll Zwahlen, being the first, he is now somewhere in France. But we as a church feel proud to think we can send forth such young men for if they are as true to their country as they were to their church, they will make soldiers worth while, and not only will we as a church be proud of them, but our country as well.

On Sunday, June 3, 1918, at 3 p. m., this church will ordain Bro. O. W. Royce as a minister. Pastors and deacons from the following churches

will be present: Adrian, Archie, Amsterdam, Altona, Butler, Burdette, Mount Vernon, Salem and New Hope. On Monday evening, May 27, 1918, about sixty-five guests gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilcox in Passaic and spent the evening with J. T. Brandon and Delbert Polson as guests of honor. They go to Camp Dodge Iowa, Wednesday evening to answer the call of Uncle Sam. The evening was spent in trying to make the boys feel our appreciation for having such boys in the community and each one present tried to show them a good time. Ice cream and cake was served.

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Pera Items.

We are having nice weather again after the shower. Rev. Hunicutt filled his regular appointment last Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hall and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Lyle and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Eckles.

G. W. Thomas has a new Dort car. Misses Marguerite and Ethel Thomas and Faye Blankenbaker left last Friday for Moberly to attend a state convention of the Y. P. B. and returned Tuesday.

I. W. Hart has a new Maxwell car. L. G. Thomas and family and the three Leavitt girls spent Sunday with F. L. Blankenbaker and family.

Several attended the W. C. T. U. meeting at the Fairview cemetery last Thursday.

Dell Requa has his new windmill in running order.

Mrs. T. J. Booth is very poorly at this writing.

Clarence Jenkins of Rich Hill is working for G. C. McCoy. E. C. Harper had corn shellers at work on his place several days last

week.

C. W. Doane had a barn raising last Friday.

Miss Sally Requa fell some time ago, hurting her wrist, which is very sore yet.

Don't forget the Y. P. B. ice cream supper Saturday night, June 8th.

BILLIE AND SUSIE.

Praise for Frazier's Hogs.

Mr. Walker, editor of the Poland China Journal of Kansas City, was here Wednesday looking over E. D. Frazier's Poland China Hog farm and was greatly impressed with the large number of fine hogs in the herd and said Mr. Frazier would soon have one of the largest plants of the kind in the country. This is quite a thing when it is considered that the Poland Journal covers a large area.—Drexel Star.